

MRS. YOUNG SAYS, AT BOARD PROBE, SHE'S NOT A CATHOLIC

Mrs. Ella Fiagg Young, superintendent of schools, yesterday told the state senate committee, which is investigating the school board, that she is not a Catholic. She also told the board that she has been attempting to trace down rumors which have spread over Chicago that she has an altar in her room at the La Salle hotel and that she goes to mass every morning.

"So far I have been able to find only two persons who said that I was a Catholic," she said. "I told them I was a Presbyterian. They said they were glad to hear it."

Myer Stein, attorney for the committee, attempting to prove that the Chicago Teachers' Federation has a bad influence on the public school system.

"Do you know that the representatives of this federation stand for salaries first, salaries second and the welfare of the schools third?" he asked.

Women in one part of the room cheered and clapped.

"Those were not teachers who cheered," said Mrs. Young.

"How do you know?"

"School teachers would not stoop to such an action?"

"A man at Springfield told me that the members of the federation were Catholic and those of the Teachers' league were Protestants. I was aghast, for I have never heard of the teachers being so divided," Mrs. Young went on in reply to the original question. "I do not believe that the federation is composed of Catholics."

Stein asked Mrs. Young if she knew of anyone who was using religion in the administration of the schools. "I don't know," she replied. "You'll have to ask those ladies who clapped."

In response to a question regarding the alleged padded payrolls, she

replied that she had found names of dead people on the 1915 budget. She also stated that a book agent used the names of Former Mayor Harrison and Former Alderman Tom Carey in an effort to get her to adopt his books.

LONDON SUFFRAGETTES IN INDUSTRIAL PARADE

London, July 17.—40,000 women, dressed in red, white and blue—colors of Union Jack and of France—participated this afternoon in greatest suffragette demonstrations in England since days of militantism. Accompanied by 75 brass bands, they marched from Thames to Trafalgar Square in patriotic procession to prove to government that women are ready to "do their bit" to help England win war.

Tremendous outbursts of cheering greeted the leaders of pageant, a group of the prettiest girls in London, appropriately costumed to represent each of the allies. Heading entire procession was a beautiful girl dressed in the national colors of Belgium and carrying a tattered Belgian flag.

"Our fight for votes for women is a forgotten issue in the national crisis," said Mrs. Pankhurst. "We are willing to 'do our bit' for England by taking our place in the factories and releasing men for the trenches. We are willing to do any work the government may assign to us, day or night."

CITY STARTS ACTION ON THE PEOPLES GAS CO.

The city today started action against the Peoples Gas Light and Coal Co., which it believes is furnishing gas at below the standard required by the municipal code.

Action was expressed in the filing by Ass't Corporation Reker of five suits against the company. The suits are the results of tests made in which the pressure was found to be below standard.